



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7265

LCO No. 4642

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:
(PS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS AND
TRAINING COUNCIL.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 7-294b of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) There shall be a Police Officer Standards and Training Council
4 which shall be within the Division of State Police of the Department of
5 Public Safety for administrative purposes only and which shall consist
6 of the following members appointed by the Governor: (1) A chief
7 administrative officer of a town or city in Connecticut; (2) the chief
8 elected official or chief executive officer of a town or city in
9 Connecticut with a population under twelve thousand which does not
10 have an organized police department; (3) a member of the faculty of
11 The University of Connecticut; (4) eight members of the Connecticut
12 Police Chiefs Association who are holding office or employed as chief
13 of police or the highest ranking professional police officer of an
14 organized police department of a municipality within the state; (5) the
15 Chief State's Attorney; (6) a member of the Connecticut Coalition of
16 Police and Corrections Officers; (7) a sworn municipal police officer

17 whose rank is sergeant or lower; and [(7)] (8) five public members. The
 18 Commissioner of Public Safety and the Federal Bureau of Investigation
 19 special agent-in-charge in Connecticut or their designees shall be
 20 voting ex-officio members of the council. Any nonpublic member of
 21 the council shall immediately upon the termination of his holding the
 22 office or employment which qualified him for appointment cease to be
 23 a member of the council. A member appointed to fill a vacancy shall be
 24 appointed for the unexpired term of the member whom he is to
 25 succeed in the same manner as the original appointment. The
 26 Governor shall appoint a chairperson and the council shall appoint a
 27 vice-chairperson and a secretary from among the members. The
 28 members of the council shall serve without compensation but shall be
 29 entitled to actual expenses involved in the performance of their duties.

30 (b) Membership on the council shall not constitute holding a public
 31 office. No member of the council shall be disqualified from holding
 32 any public office or employment by reason of his appointment to or
 33 membership on the council nor shall any member forfeit any such
 34 office or employment by reason of his appointment to the council,
 35 notwithstanding the provisions of any general statute, special act or
 36 local law, ordinance or charter.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	7-294b
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Statement of Purpose:

To add a sworn municipal police officer to the governing body of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]